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TRAFFIC ACCIDENTS AND FATALITIES

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STANDARD SUMMARY OF MOTOR VEHICLE TRAFFIC ACCIDENTS

In Montana

For October - 1969

(State)

(Month or other period)

1. TYPE OF ACCIDENT	Number of Accidents				Number of Persons			
	Total	Fatal	Non-Fatal	Property Damage	Total Killed	Total Injured	a	b
Motor Vehicle:								
1. Ran off road	492	13	196	283	13	285	103	120
2. Overturned on road	4		3	1		4	2	2
3. Pedestrian	38	3	35		3	36	18	15
4. Motor vehicle in traffic	866	10	228	628	12	385	101	136
5. Parked motor vehicle	137		29	108		35	12	15
6. Railroad train	5	2	1	2	4	1	1	
7. Bicyclist	2		1			2		2
8. Animal	113		13	100		15	3	8
9. Fixed object	121		39	82		48	16	21
10. Other object								
11. Other non-traffic	10	1	1	8	1	1		1
12.								
Totals	1788	29	547	1212	33	812	261	320

Note: The three categories of injuries follow the Manual of Uniform Definitions of Motor Vehicle Accidents.

a. Bleeding wound, dislocated member, or any condition that required victim be carried from the scene.

b. Other visible injuries such as bruises, abrasions, swelling, limping, or other painful movement.

c. Complete loss of consciousness.

SUMMARY OF Statewide ACCIDENTS

Legally reportable accidents are those involving death, bodily injury or property damage of

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This summary includes reports and information available on

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Montana Highway Patrol

2A. COMPARATIVE TOTALS		Same Month Last Year			This Year to Date			Same Period Last Year			Change Cumulative Death Record
		All accidents	Persons killed	Persons injured	All accidents	Persons killed	Persons injured	All accidents	Persons killed	Persons injured	
Collisions of motor vehicle with:	1. Ran off road	296	7	218	3553	131	2112	3023	99	2182	+ 32 *
	2. Overturned on road	17		10	124	5	62	194	1	140	+400 *
	3. Pedestrian	20	3	19	199	19	170	175	21	168	- 95 *
	4. Motor vehicle in traffic	667	13	328	7547	88	2781	6781	83	3118	+ .60 *
	5. Parked motor vehicle	94		19	1080	3	182	945	1	167	+200 *
	6. Railroad train	10	1	7	41	10	12	43	8	20	+ 25 *
	7. Bicyclist	5		5	82	1	86	87	2	90	- 50 *
	8. Animal	142	1	29	755	1	88	740	2	122	- 50 *
	9. Fixed object	110	1	42	959	18	266	1097	17	477	+ 59 *
	10. Other object	1			4		1	37		16	NC
	11. Other non-collision	1		1	85	3	29	16	1	11	+200 *
	12.	1			5	2		16	4	13	- 50 *
Totals		1364	26	678	14,434	281	5789	13,154	239	6524	+ 17 *

2B. MILEAGE RATES	This Year To Date	Last Year Same Period	Percent Change
1. Motor vehicle traffic deaths	281	239	+18 %
2. Estimated motor vehicle mileage traveled (millions)	3410	3741	+88 %
3. Death rate per 100,000 vehicle-miles	82	64	+28 %
4. Fatal accident rate per 100,000 vehicle-miles	6.8	5.4	+2.6 %
5. Fatal Acc.	231	202	+14 %
6.			

3. LOCATION	A. Trafficways Administered by Governmental Agencies: State Highway Dept., counties, cities, towns, villages, etc.						B. Trafficways Administered by Independent Agencies: Tunnels, parkways, military, freeway authorities and commissions, etc.					
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	Total	Fatal	Non-Fatal	Property Damage	Killed	Injured	Total	Fatal	Non-Fatal	Property Damage	Killed	Injured
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5. 100,000 to 250,000												
6. 250,000 or more												
7.												
8. Total urban	779	4	239	536	4	349						
1. Controlled access highway	90	2	30	58	2	37						
2. State routes & U.S.	88	1	24	63	1	37						
3. Country roads	440	11	137	292	12	225						
4. Other	391	11	117	263	14	165						
5. Not stated												
Total rural	1009	25	308	676	29	464						
Total urban and rural	1788	29	547	1212	33	813						

5. TIME	Total		Monday		Tuesday		Wednesday		Thursday		Friday		Saturday		Sunday		Not stated	
	All	Fatal	All	Fatal	All	Fatal	All	Fatal	All	Fatal	All	Fatal	All	Fatal	All	Fatal	All	Fatal
	Hour beginning		Hour beginning		Hour beginning		Hour beginning		Hour beginning		Hour beginning		Hour beginning		Hour beginning		Hour beginning	
6. Midnight	77	1	4		3		8		9		31		19		3			
1. 1:00	52	1	1		3		4		11		2	1	13		13			
2. 2:00	60	1	3		8		8		7		8		15		17	1		
3. 3:00	58	1	2		5		2		12		13		1		13			
4. 4:00	35		2		4		3		1		4		10		11			
5. 5:00	18		2		2		2		4		3		2		3			
6. 6:00	14		1		1		1		3		3		6		3			
7. 7:00	28		5		7		3		3		6		3		1			
8. 8:00	67		7		13		15		15		8		6		3			
9. 9:00	65	1	9	1	12		21		7		9		7					
10. 10:00	63	1	9		8		9		8		9		16		4			
11. 11:00	63	2	4		6		12	1	8		15	1	14		4			
12. Noon	83	1	9		10		11		14		14		19	1	6			
13. 1:00	84	2	11		11		11		7		24	2	8		12			
14. 2:00	67	1	10	1	6		11		9		13		13		5			
15. 3:00	90		10		12		15		11		13		23		6			
16. 4:00	95	1	6		10		14		13	1	21		20		11			
17. 5:00	145	2	13		18		12		27	1	29	1	32		14			
18. 6:00	130		13		18		18		19		22		28		12			
19. 7:00	91	3	6		10		21	1	7		25	2	12		10			
20. 8:00	115	4	12		12	1	17	1	11		33		19	1	11	1		
21. 9:00	121	5	6		15	1	12	1	13		29	2	29		17	1		
22. 10:00	87	1	6		11		13		5		28		21	1	3			
23. 11:00	80	1	6		7		10		8	1	25		17		7			
24. Not stated																		
Totals	1788	29	156	2	206	4	253	4	229	4	392	10	363	4	189	3		

4 AGE OF CASUALTY	Number of Persons Killed									Number of Persons Injured								
	Total killed			Pedestrians			Bicyclists			Total injured			Pedestrians			Bicyclists		
	Total	Male	Female	Total	Male	Female	Total	Male	Female	Total	Male	Female	Total	Male	Female	Total	Male	Female
0 to 4	3	1	3							19	12	7	2	1	1			
5 to 9	1	1		1	1					25	13	12	10	6	4			
10 to 14										34	17	17	6	3	3			
15 to 19	8	3	5							196	121	75	3	3		1	1	
20 to 24	3	3								149	92	57	1	1				
25 to 34	4	3	1							119	80	39	3	3				
35 to 44	4	1	3	1		1				95	61	34	2	1	1			
45 to 54	5	5		1	1					85	50	35	2		2			
55 to 64	3	3								56	33	23	3	2	1			
65 to 74	1	1								22	12	10	3	1	2			
75 & older	1	1								13	5	8	3	1	2			
Not stated																		
Totals	33	21	12	3	2	1				813	496	317	38	22	16	2	2	

6. DIRECTIONAL ANALYSIS - An accident consisting of a series of collisions, overturning, etc., is classified according to the first event on the road

A TWO MOTOR VEHICLE ACC.	Total	Fatal Accidents	Injury Accidents	Property Damage Acc.
1. Entering at angle	44	2	12	30
2a. From same direction - both going straight	26		11	15
b. Same - one turn, one straight	54		8	46
c. Same - one stopped	118		32	86
d. Same - all others	1			1
3a. From opposite direction - both going straight	229		73	156
b. Same - one left turn, one straight	122	1	36	85
c. Same - all others				
4. Not stated				
Totals	594	3	172	419

B TWO MOTOR VEHICLE ACC.	Total	Fatal Accidents	Injury Accidents	Property Damage Acc.
1. Going opposite direction - both moving	68	5	17	46
2. Going same direction - both moving	84	1	13	70
3a. One car parked	135		28	107
b. One car stopped in traffic	63	1	22	40
4a. One car entering parked position	2		2	
b. One car leaving parked position	24		1	23
5a. One car entering alley or driveway	8		1	7
b. One car leaving alley or driveway	24		2	22
6. All others	1		1	
7. Not stated				
Totals	409	7	85	317

C. PEDESTRIAN ACCIDENTS	All Pedestrian Accidents	Fatal Accidents		Non-Fatal Injury Accidents	
		Total	Intersection	Total	Intersection
1. Car going straight	37	2	1	35	11
2. Car turning right					
3. Car turning left					
4. Car backing					
5. All others	1	1		1	
6. Not stated					
Totals	38	3	1	35	11

D ALL OTHER ACCIDENTS	Total	Fatal Accidents	Injury Accidents	Property Damage Acc.
Collision with				
1. Non-motor vehicle, train, bicycle, etc.	3		2	1
2. Fixed object in road	23		10	13
3. Overturned in road				
4. Left road	32		13	18
Collision with				
5. Non-motor vehicle, train, bicycle, etc.	4	2	1	1
6. Fixed object in road	98		29	69
7. Overturned in road	4		3	1
8. All others	184	6	75	103
9. Straight road	277	6	108	163
10. Fall from moving vehicle	2	1	1	
11. All others	120		13	107
12. Not stated				
Totals	747	16	255	476

7. PEDESTRIAN ACTIONS BY AGE	Ages of Pedestrians Killed and Injured									
	Total	0 to 4	5 to 9	10 to 14	15 to 19	20 to 24	25 to 44	45 to 64	65 & Older	Not Stated
1a. Crossing or entering roadway - at intersection	1	15		3	4	1				
b. Same - not at intersection	1	20	2	7	2	1	1	2	1	4
2a. Walking in roadway - with traffic		1								
b. Same - against traffic							1			
3. Standing on roadway	1					1				
4. Getting on or off other vehicle										
5. Pushing or working on vehicle in roadway	1	2					1	1		
6. Other working in roadway										
7. Playing in roadway	2		1	1						
8. Other in roadway										
9. Not in roadway										
10. Not stated	2				1		1			
Totals	3	43	2	11	7	4	1	6	6	6

8 AGE OF DRIVER	All Accidents	Fatal Accidents	Injury Accidents
1. 15 & younger	77	2	19
2. 16	134	2	34
3. 17	163		40
4. 18 to 19	264	5	92
5. 20 to 24	452	2	149
6. 25 to 34	505	7	151
7. 35 to 44	411	8	118
8. 45 to 54	341	6	104
9. 55 to 64	211	2	59
10. 65 to 74	94	1	21
11. 75 & older	49	2	10
12. Not stated			
Totals	2701	37	797

9 SEX OF DRIVER	All Accidents	Fatal Accidents	Injury Accidents
1. Male	1984	28	570
2. Female	717	9	227
3. Not stated			
Totals	2701	37	797

10 RESIDENCE OF DRIVER	All Accidents	Fatal Accidents	Injury Accidents
1. Local resident	2093	24	629
2. Residing elsewhere in state	409	6	104
3. Nonresident of state	199	7	64
4. Not stated			
Totals	2701	37	797

12. TYPE OF VEHICLE	All Accidents	Fatal Accidents	Injury Accidents
1. Passenger car	2312	27	675
2. Passenger car and trailer	2		
3. Truck or truck tractor	467	7	133
4. Truck tractor and semi-trailer	53	3	12
5. Other truck combination	1		
6. Farm tractor and/or farm equip.	1	1	
7. Tractor	8		3
8. Bus	5		1
9. School bus	1		
10. Motorcycle	24		19
11. Motor scooter or motor bicycle			
12. Other and not stated	2	1	1
Totals	2876	39	844

13. ROAD SURFACE CONDITION	All Accidents	Fatal Accidents	Injury Accidents
1. Dry	1210	20	385
2. Wet	351	6	106
3. Snowy or icy	161	2	41
4. Other	66	1	15
5. Not stated			
Totals	1788	29	547

14. KIND OF LOCATION	All Accidents	Fatal Accidents	Injury Accidents
1. Built-up	844	3	246
2. Not built-up	944	26	301
3. Not stated			
Totals	1788	29	547

15. LIGHT CONDITION	All Accidents	Fatal Accidents	Injury Accidents
1. Daylight	966	12	277
2. Dawn or dusk	86	1	21
3. Darkness	736	16	249
4. Not stated			
Totals	1788	29	547

Contributing Circumstances (Table 11) compiled only from police reports.

11. CONTRIBUTING CIRCUMSTANCES INDICATED	All Accidents	Fatal Accidents	Injury Accidents
1. Speed too fast	420	8	161
2. Failed to yield right of way	206	3	66
3. Drove left of center	22	2	9
4. Improper overtaking	20	1	4
5. Passed stop sign			
6. Disregarded traffic signal	34	1	10
7. Followed too closely	38		10
8. Made improper turn	26		12
9. Other improper driving	31		9
10. Inadequate brakes	13		4
11. Improper lights	2		
12. Not been drinking	34	4	10
Totals	846	19	295

SUMMARY OF MOTOR VEHICLE TRAFFIC ACCIDENTS IN MONTANA

SUMMARY REPORT OF Statewide

ACCIDENTS

PERIOD

October - 1969

Weather	All Accidents	Fatal Accidents	Injury Accidents
1. Not stated			
2. Clear	1269	20	395
3. Raining	187	4	59
4. Snowing	187	2	43
5. Fog	26	1	10
6. Other	115	2	40
Total	1788	29	547

Character of Road	All Accidents	Fatal Accidents	Injury Accidents
1. Not stated			
2. Straight road—level	1212	14	345
3. Straight road—hillcrest	134	1	45
4. Straight road—on grade	152	4	51
5. Straight road—not stated			
6. Curve—level	161	4	59
7. Curve—hillcrest	20	1	7
8. Curve—on grade	108	5	40
9. Curve—not stated			
Total	1788	29	547

Occupation of Driver	All Accidents	Fatal Accidents	Injury Accidents
1. Professional or business man	281	7	78
2. Farmers or farm laborers	131	1	37
3. Students	672	7	189
4. Sales persons	93		22
5. Commercial drivers	150	4	35
6. Military personnel	68	1	29
7. Housewives & domestic servants	303	5	83
8. Retired & pensioners	100	3	30
9. All other workers	903	9	294
Total	2701	37	797

The following information is obtained from investigated accidents only

Driver Training	All Accidents	Fatal Accidents	Injury Accidents
1. Not stated			
2. Received classroom training in school	11		3
3. Received behind the wheel training	2		1
4. Received both classes of training	428	7	134
5. No driver training	1446	30	483
Total	1887	37	621

Driver Sobriety	All Accidents	Fatal Accidents	Injury Accidents
1. Not stated			
2. HBD—obviously drunk	25	4	6
3. HBD—ability impaired	49	2	24
4. HBD—ability not impaired	57	17	17
5. HBD—not known if impaired	145	4	82
6. Had not been drinking	1500	18	445
7. Not known if drinking	111	9	47
Total	1887	37	621

Road Defects	All Accidents	Fatal Accidents	Injury Accidents
1. Not stated			
2. Defective shoulders	8		2
3. Holes, deep ruts, bumps	13	1	6
4. Loose material on surface	63	4	28
5. Under construction or repair	11	1	5
6. Surface oily, slippery when wet	22		8
7. Other	1	1	
8. No defects	1113	22	376
Total	1231	29	425

Seat Belt Information	All Accidents	Fatal Accidents	Injury Accidents
1. Not stated			
2. Equipped with in use	451	3	107
3. Equipped with not in use	1309	19	394
4. Not equipped with	932	16	296
Total	2701	38	797
1. Not stated			
2. SB would have saved life or prevented more serious inj.	812		175
3. SB saved life or prevented more serious injury	267	17	175
4. SB did not or could not have helped	105	2	35
Total	1517	19	412
Total	2701	38	797

Additional Accident Facts	All Accidents	Fatal Accidents	Injury Accidents
1. Accidents involving a HMV	871	19	308
2. Accidents not involving a HMV	360	10	117
3. Not stated			
Total	1231	29	425
1. Not stated			
2. Exceeding stated speed limit	179	1	58
3. Exceeding safe speed limit	78	6	42
4. Exceeding safe speed limit	2		1
5. Not exceeding legal speed limit	186	1	88
6. No speed violation	1569	31	469
Total	2014	39	658
1. Drivers recommended for driver license re-examination			
2. Hit & run accidents	18		7



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Motor Vehicle									
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2. Overturned on road	1		1			2		2	
3. Pedestrian	32	1	31		1	33	16	14	3
4. Motor vehicle in traffic	560	2	153	405	2	243	59	72	112
5. Parked motor vehicle	103		23	80		27	14	11	2
6. Railroad train	1								
7. Bicyclist	2		2	1		2		2	
8. Animal									
9. Fixed object	72		26	46		35	13	13	9
10. Other object									
11. Other non-collision									
12. Misc.									
Totals	779	4	239	536	4	349	105	118	126

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4. Motor vehicle in traffic	432		177	4509	7	1697	4169	5	1499	+40
5. Parked motor vehicle	75		17	831	1	173	741		135	+INF
6. Railroad train	4		3	12		6	13		5	NC
7. Bicyclist	5		5	65		69	63	1	68	INF
8. Animal	3			1			12			NC
9. Fixed object	38		11	493	3	181	439		174	+INF
10. Other object				2		1	1		1	NC
11. Other non-collision				4		4	7		5	NC
12.				1						NC
Totals	584	2	235	6178	21	2360	5699	14	2089	+50

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Hour beginning																		
9. Midnight	31		2		1		2		3		14		9					
1. 1:00	20				2		1		4		2		6		5			
2. 2:00	22	1	1		2		3		2		3		7		4	1		
3. 3:00	25	1	1		2				6		8		6	1	2			
4. 4:00	6						1						3		2			
5. 5:00	4		1		1						1		1		1			
6. 6:00	2										1		1					
7. 7:00	3				1				1		1							
8. 8:00	34		5		8		5		10		4		1		1			
9. 9:00	38		5		9		14		5		2		3					
10. 10:00	18		4		2		4		2		3		3					
11. 11:00	26		3		5		4		3		6		3		2			
12. Noon	30		5		2		7		4		2		9		1			
13. 1:00	47		7		7		3		4		15		7		4			
14. 2:00	35		5		3		5		6		6		8		2			
15. 3:00	53		6		6		10		7		7		12		5			
16. 4:00	51		2		5		6		7		13		11		7			
17. 5:00	73		5		7		7		16		17		16		5			
18. 6:00	66		5		10		9		12		12		15		3			
19. 7:00	39	1	4		7		6		3		10	1	7		2			
20. 8:00	47		8		4		6		4		12		8		5			
21. 9:00	41	1	3		2		4	1	6		13		11		2			
22. 10:00	40		3		5		7				16		9					
23. 11:00	28		1		4		2		1		10		8		2			
24. Not stated																		
Totals	779	4	76		95		106	1	106		178	1	162	1	56	1		

4 AGE OF CASUALTY	Number of Persons Killed								Number of Persons Injured							
	Total killed				Pedestrians				Total injured				Pedestrians			
	Total	Male	Female		Total	Male	Female		Total	Male	Female		Total	Male	Female	
0 to 4									15	9	6		2	1	1	
5 to 9									16	8	8		5	5	3	
10 to 14									16	7	9		6	3	3	
15 to 19	1	1							94	53	41		1	1		
20 to 24	1	1							59	36	23		1	1		
25 to 34									43	25	18		2	2		
35 to 44	1		1	1			1		37	23	14		2	1	1	
45 to 54									28	13	15		2		2	
55 to 64	1	1							23	11	12		3	2	1	
65 to 74									10	3	7		3	1	2	
75 & older									8	3	5		3	1	2	
Not stated																
Totals	4	3	1	1			1		349	191	158		33	18	15	2 2

6 DIRECTIONAL ANALYSIS - An accident consisting of a series of collisions, overturning, etc., is classified according to the first event on the road

A. TWO MOTOR VEHICLE ACC.	Total	Fatal Accidents	Injury Accidents	Property Damage Acc.
1. Entering at angle	3	1		2
2a. From same direction - both going straight	10		5	5
b. Same - one left, one straight	28		5	23
c. Same - one stopped	112		29	83
d. Same - all others	1			1
3a. From opposite direction - both going straight	223		72	151
b. Same - one left turn, one straight	90		24	66
c. Same - all others				
4. Not stated				
Totals	467	1	135	331

B. TWO MOTOR VEHICLE ACC.	Total	Fatal Accidents	Injury Accidents	Property Damage Acc.
1. Going opposite direction - both moving	12	1	6	5
2. Going same direction - both moving	19		2	17
3a. One car parked	102		22	80
b. One car stopped in traffic	25		8	17
4a. One car entering parked position	2			2
b. One car leaving parked position	14		1	13
5a. One car entering alley or driveway	8		1	7
b. One car leaving alley or driveway	14		1	13
6. All others				
7. Not stated				
Totals	196	1	41	154

C. PEDESTRIAN ACCIDENTS	All Pedestrian Accidents	Total	Fatal Accidents	Injury Accidents	Property Damage Acc.
1. Car going straight	32	1		1	31
2. Car turning right					
3. Car turning left					
4. Car backing					
5. All others					
6. Not stated					
Totals	32	1		1	31

D. ALL OTHER ACCIDENTS	Total	Fatal Accidents	Injury Accidents	Property Damage Acc.
Collision 1. Non-motor vehicle - train, bicycle, etc. with 2. Fixed object in road	3		2	1
3. Overturned in road	23		10	13
4. Left road	2	1	1	
Collision 5. Non-motor vehicle - train, bicycle, etc. with 6. Fixed object in road	49		16	33
7. Overturned in road	1		1	
8. At curve	1		1	
Left road 9. Straight road	5		1	4
10. Fall from moving vehicle				
11. All others				
12. Not stated				
Totals	84	1	32	51

7. PEDESTRIAN ACTIONS BY AGE	Pedestrians Killed	Total	0 to 4	5 to 9	10 to 14	15 to 19	20 to 24	25 to 44	45 to 64	65 & Older	Not Stated
1a. Crossing or entering roadway of intersection		14		2	4	1		1	4	2	
b. Same - not at intersection	1	18	2	5	2	1	1	2	1	4	
2a. Walking in roadway - with traffic											
b. Same - against traffic											
3. Standing in roadway											
4. Getting on or off other vehicles											
5. Pushing or working on vehicle or roadway		1						1			
6. Other working in roadway											
7. Playing in roadway		2		1	1						
8. Other in roadway											
9. Not in roadway											
10. Not stated		1						1			
Totals	1	36	2	8	7	2	1	5	5	6	

8. AGE OF DRIVER	All Accidents	Fatal Accidents	Injury Accidents
1. 15 & younger	46	1	12
2. 16	83		25
3. 17	92		19
4. 18 to 19	155	1	55
5. 20 to 24	246	1	75
6. 25 to 34	251		77
7. 35 to 44	183	1	51
8. 45 to 54	150		45
9. 55 to 64	100	1	32
10. 65 to 74	40		9
11. 75 & older	32		8
12. Not stated			
Totals	1378	5	408

9. SEX OF DRIVER	All Accidents	Fatal Accidents	Injury Accidents
1. Male	935		272
2. Female	443	5	136
3. Not stated			
Totals	1378	5	408

10. RESIDENCE OF DRIVER	All Accidents	Fatal Accidents	Injury Accidents
1. Local resident	1302	5	385
2. Residing elsewhere in state	49		14
3. Nonresident of state	27		9
4. Not stated			
Totals	1378	5	408

12. TYPE OF VEHICLE	All Accidents	Fatal Accidents	Injury Accidents
1. Passenger car	1302	5	382
2. Passenger car and trailer			
3. Truck or truck tractor	173		42
4. Truck tractor and semi-trailer	2	1	
5. Other truck combination			
6. Farm tractor and/or farm equip.	8		3
7. Tractor	1		
8. Bus	1		
9. School bus	1		
10. Motorcycle	21		17
11. Motor scooter or motor bicycle			
12. Others and not stated	1		1
Totals	1509	6	445

13. ROAD SURFACE CONDITION	All Accidents	Fatal Accidents	Injury Accidents
1. Dry	553	2	175
2. Wet	175	2	52
3. Snowy or icy	41		9
4. Other	10		3
5. Not stated			
Totals	779	4	239

14. KIND OF LOCATION	All Accidents	Fatal Accidents	Injury Accidents
1. Build-up	779	4	239
2. Not build-up			
3. Not stated			
Totals	779	4	239

15. LIGHT CONDITION	All Accidents	Fatal Accidents	Injury Accidents
1. Daylight	475		133
2. Dusk or dawn	30	2	12
3. Darkness	274	2	94
4. Not stated			
Totals	779	4	239

Contributing Circumstances (Table 11) compiled only from police reports.

11. CONTRIBUTING CIRCUMSTANCES INDICATED	All Accidents	Fatal Accidents	Injury Accidents
1. Speed too fast	156	1	51
2. Failed to yield right of way	147		55
3. Overtake left of center	1		
4. Improper overtaking	3	1	1
5. Passed stop sign			
6. Disregarded traffic signal	27		9
7. Followed too closely	27		6
8. Made improper turn	11		5
9. Other improper driving	18		1
10. Inadequate brakes	1		
11. Improper lights			
12. Had been drinking	15	2	5
Totals	406	4	133

SUMMARY OF MOTOR VEHICLE TRAFFIC ACCIDENTS IN MONTANA

SUMMARY REPORT OF

Urban

ACCIDENTS

PERIOD October - 1969

Weather	All Accidents	Fatal Accidents	Injury Accidents
1. Not stated			
2. Clear	591	2	184
3. Raining	103	1	34
4. Snowing	70	15	15
5. Fog	9	1	5
6. Other	6		1
Total	779	4	239

Character of Road	All Accidents	Fatal Accidents	Injury Accidents
1. Not stated	1		
2. Straight road—level	654	3	194
3. Straight road—hillcrest	97		34
4. Straight road—on grade	6		1
5. Straight road—not stated			
6. Curve—level	15	1	6
7. Curve—hillcrest	5		3
8. Curve—on grade	1		1
9. Curve—not stated			
Total	779	4	239

Occupation of Driver	All Accidents	Fatal Accidents	Injury Accidents
1. Professional or business man	133	1	39
2. Farmers or farm laborers	28		8
3. Students	419	2	117
4. Sales persons	46	14	14
5. Commercial drivers	56	1	15
6. Military personnel	31		31
7. Housewives & domestic servants	169		49
8. Retired & pensioners	49		15
9. All other workers	447	1	137
Total	1,378	5	408

The following information is obtained from investigated accidents only

Driver Training	All Accidents	Fatal Accidents	Injury Accidents
1. Not stated			
2. Received classroom training in school	6		3
3. Received behind the wheel training	2		1
4. Received both classes of training	259	1	74
5. No driver training	669	4	215
Total	936	5	293

Driver Sobriety	All Accidents	Fatal Accidents	Injury Accidents
1. Not stated			
2. HBD—obviously drunk	11	3	2
3. HBD—ability impaired	18		9
4. HBD—ability not impaired	30		11
5. HBD—not known if impaired	46		26
6. Had not been drinking	797	1	229
7. Not known if drinking	34	1	16
Total	936	5	293

Road Defects	All Accidents	Fatal Accidents	Injury Accidents
1. Not stated			
2. Defective shoulders			
3. Holes, deep ruts, bumps	7	1	3
4. Loose material on surface	1		
5. Under construction or repair	2		
6. Surface oily, slippery when wet			
7. Other			
8. No defects	511	3	165
Total			

Seat Belt Information	All Accidents	Fatal Accidents	Injury Accidents
1. Not stated	224		57
2. Equipped with in use	688	1	201
3. Equipped with not in use	466	5	150
4. Not equipped with	1,378	6	408
Total	444		117
1. Not stated			
2. SB would have saved life or prevented more serious inj.	32	1	24
3. SB saved life or prevented more serious injury	10		6
4. SB did not or could not have helped	892	5	261
Total	1,378	6	408

Additional Accident Facts	All Accidents	Fatal Accidents	Injury Accidents
1. Accidents involving a HMV	410	3	133
2. Accidents not involving a HMV	111	1	35
3. Not stated			
Total	521	4	168
1. Not stated			
2. Exceeding stated speed limit	98		28
3. Exceeding safe speed limit	47	2	25
4. Exceeding safe speed limit	2		1
5. Not exceeding legal speed limit	1		1
5. No speed violation	886	4	266
Total	1,034	6	321
1. Drivers recommended for driver license re-examination			
2. Hit & run accidents	4		1

STANDARD SUMMARY OF MOTOR VEHICLE TRAFFIC ACCIDENTS

In Montana For October-1969

(State)

(Month or other period)

1. TYPE OF ACCIDENT	Number of Accidents				Number of Persons				
	Total	Fatal	Non-Fatal	Property Damage	Total Killed	Injured			
						Total	a	b	c
Motor Vehicle									
1. Ran off road	484	12	193	279	12	278	100	116	62
2. Overturned on road	3		2	1	2	2	2		
3. Pedestrian	6	2	4		2	4	2	1	1
4. Motor vehicle in traffic	306	8	75	223	10	142	42	64	36
5. Parked motor vehicle	34		6	28		8	3	4	1
6. Railroad train	4	2	1	1	4	1	1		
7. Bicycle									
8. Animal	113		13	100		15	3	8	4
9. Fixed object	49		13	36		13	3	8	2
10. Other object									
11. Other non-collision	10	1	1	8	1	1		1	
12. Misc.									
Totals	1009	25	308	676	29	464	156	202	106

Note: The three categories of injuries follow the Manual of Uniform Definitions of Motor Vehicle Accidents.

a. Bleeding, wound, distorted member, or any condition that required victim be carried from the scene.

b. Other visible injuries such as bruises, abrasions, swelling, limping, or other painful movement.

c. Complaint of pain, without visible signs of injury, or momentary unconsciousness.

SUMMARY OF Rural ACCIDENTS

Legally reportable accidents are those involving death, bodily injury or property damage of

\$ 100 or more

☐ In the accident

☒ To the property of one person

This summary includes reports and information available on

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Records & Statewide Section
Montana Highway Patrol

2A. COMPARATIVE TOTALS	Same Month Last Year			This Year to Date			Same Period Last Year			Change Cumulative Death Record
	All accidents	Persons killed	Persons injured	All accidents	Persons killed	Persons injured	All accidents	Persons killed	Persons injured	
1. Ran off road	286	7	212	3451	127	2197	2915	99	2123	+28
2. Overturned on road	16		10	115	5	65	179	1	131	+400
3. Pedestrian	4	1	3	50	13	42	44	13	34	NC
4. Motor vehicle in traffic	235	13	151	3038	81	1650	2612	78	1619	+38
5. Parked motor vehicle	19		2	249	2	39	204	1	32	+100
6. Railroad train	6	1	4	29	10	10	30	8	15	+25
7. Bicycle				17	1	17	24	1	22	NC
8. Animal	139	1	29	754	1	98	728	2	122	-100
9. Fixed object	72	1	31	466	15	142	658	17	303	-12
10. Other object	1			2			36		15	NC
11. Other non-collision	1		1	81	3	26	9	1	6	+200
12. Misc.	1			4	2	2	16	4	13	-50
Totals	780	24	443	8256	260	4288	7455	225	4435	+16

2B. MILEAGE RATES	This Year To Date	Last Year Same Period	Percent Change
1. Motor vehicle traffic deaths	260	225	+16
2. Estimated motor vehicle mileage traveled (millions)		NA	
3. Death rate per 100,000 vehicles-miles		NA	
4. Fatal accident rate per 100,000 vehicles-miles		NA	
5. Fatal Accidents	211	189	+12

3. LOCATION	A. Trafficways Administered by Governmental Agencies: State Highway Dept., counties, cities, towns, villages, etc.						B. Trafficways Administered by Independent Agencies: Turfway, parkway, military, freeway authorities and commissions, etc.					
	Number of Accidents				Number of Persons		Number of Accidents				Number of Persons	
	Total	Fatal	Non-Fatal	Property Damage	Killed	Injured	Total	Fatal	Non-Fatal	Property Damage	Killed	Injured
1. 2,500 to 10,000												
2. 10,000 to 25,000												
3. 25,000 to 50,000												
4. 50,000 to 100,000												
5. 100,000 to 250,000												
6. 250,000 or more												
7. Total urban												
1. Controlled access highway	90	2	30	58	2	37						
2. State routes & U.S.	88	1	24	63	1	37						
3. County routes	440	11	137	292	12	225						
4. Other	391	11	117	263	14	165						
5. Not stated												
Total rural	1009	25	308	676	29	464						
Total urban and rural												

5. TIME	Total		Monday		Tuesday		Wednesday		Thursday		Friday		Saturday		Sunday		Not stated	
	All	Fatal	All	Fatal	All	Fatal	All	Fatal	All	Fatal	All	Fatal	All	Fatal	All	Fatal	All	Fatal
1. Midnight	46	1	2		2		6		6		17	1	10		3			
1. 1:00	32	1	1		1		3		7		5	1	7		8			
2. 2:00	38		2				5		5		5		8		13			
3. 3:00	33		1		3		2		6		5		5		11			
4. 4:00	29		2		4		2		1		4		7		9			
5. 5:00	14		1		1		2		4		2		2		2			
6. 6:00	12				1		1				2		6		2			
7. 7:00	25		5		6		3		2		5		3		1			
8. 8:00	33		2		5		10		5		4		5		2			
9. 9:00	27	1	4	1	3		7		2		7		4					
10. 10:00	45	1	5		6		5		6	1	6		13		4			
11. 11:00	37	2	1		1		8	1	5		9	1	11		2			
12. Noon	53	1	4		8		4		10		12		10	1	5			
13. 1:00	37	2	4		4		8		3		9	2	1		8			
14. 2:00	32	1	5	1	3		6		3		7		5		3			
15. 3:00	37		4		6		5		4		6		11		1			
16. 4:00	44	1	4		5		8		6	1	8		9		4			
17. 5:00	72	2	8		11		5		11	1	12	1	16		9			
18. 6:00	64		8		8		9		7		10		13		9			
19. 7:00	52	2	2		3		15	1	4		15	1	5		8			
20. 8:00	68	4	4		8	1	11	1	7		21		11	1	6	1		
21. 9:00	80	4	3		13	1	8		7		16	2	18		15	1		
22. 10:00	47	1	3		6		6		5		12		12	1	3			
23. 11:00	52	1	5		3		8		7	1	15		9		5			
24. Not stated																		
Totals	1009	25	80	2	111	2	147	3	123	4	214	9	201	3	133	2		

4. AGE OF CASUALTY	Number of Persons Killed								Number of Persons Injured							
	Total killed				Pedestrians				Total injured				Pedestrians			
	Total	Male	Female		Total	Male	Female		Total	Male	Female		Total	Male	Female	
1. 0 to 4	3		3						4	3	1					
2. 5 to 9	1	1			1	1			9	5	4		2	1	1	
3. 10 to 14									18	10	8					
4. 15 to 19	7	2	5						102	68	34		2	2		
5. 20 to 24	2	2							90	56	34					
6. 25 to 34	4	3	1						76	55	21		1	1		
7. 35 to 44	3	1	2						58	38	20					
8. 45 to 54	5	5			1	1			57	37	20					
9. 55 to 64	2	2							33	22	11					
10. 65 to 74	1	1							12	9	3					
11. 75 & older	1	1							5	2	3					
12. Not stated																
Totals	29	18	11		2	2			464	305	159		5	4	1	

6. DIRECTIONAL ANALYSIS - An accident consisting of a series of collisions, overturning, etc., is classified according to the first event on the road

A. TWO MOTOR VEHICLE ACC.	Total	Fatal Accidents	Injury Accidents	Property Damage Acc.
1. Moving at angle	41	1	12	28
2. From same direction - both going straight	16		6	10
a. Same - one turn, one straight	26		3	23
c. Same - one stopped	6		3	3
d. Same - all others				
3. From opposite direction - both going straight	6		1	5
b. Same - one left turn, one straight	32	1	12	19
c. Same - all others				
4. Not stated				
Totals	127	2	37	88

B. TWO MOTOR VEHICLE ACC.	Total	Fatal Accidents	Injury Accidents	Property Damage Acc.
1. Going opposite direction - both moving	56	4	11	41
2. Going same direction - both moving	65	1	11	53
3a. One car parked	33		6	27
b. One car stopped in traffic	38	1	14	23
4a. One car entering parked position				
b. One car leaving parked position	10			10
5a. One car entering alley or driveway				
b. One car leaving alley or driveway	10		1	9
4. All others	1		1	
7. Not stated				
Totals	213	6	44	163

C. PEDESTRIAN ACCIDENTS	All Pedestrian Accidents	Fatal Accidents			Non-Fatal Injury Accidents		
		Total	Intersection	Non-Intersection	Total	Intersection	Non-Intersection
1. Car going straight	5	1	1		4		4
2. Car turning right							
3. Car turning left							
4. Car backing							
5. All others	1	1		1			
6. Not stated							
Totals	6	2	1	1	4		4

D. ALL OTHER ACCIDENTS	Total	Fatal Accidents	Injury Accidents	Property Damage Acc.
Collision with:				
1. Non-motor vehicle - train, bicycle, etc.				
2. Fixed object in road				
3. Overturned in road				
4. Left road	30		12	18
Collision with:				
5. Non-motor vehicle - train, bicycle, etc.	4	2	1	1
6. Fixed object in road	49		13	36
7. Overturned in road	3		2	1
8. At curve	183	6	74	103
9. Straight road	272	6	107	159
10. Fell from moving vehicle	2	1	1	
11. All others	120		13	107
12. Not stated				
Totals	663	15	223	425

7. PEDESTRIAN ACTIONS BY AGE	Pedestrians Killed	Ages of Pedestrians Killed and Injured									
		Total	0 to 4	5 to 9	10 to 14	15 to 19	20 to 24	25 to 44	45 to 64	65 & Older	Not Stated
1a. Crossing or entering roadway - at intersection	1	1		1							
b. Same - not at intersection		2		2							
2a. Walking on roadway - with traffic		1									
b. Same - against traffic								1			
3. Standing on roadway		1				1					
4. Getting on or off other vehicle											
5. Pushing or working on vehicle in roadway	1	1							1		
6. Other working in roadway											
7. Playing in roadway											
8. Other in roadway											
9. Not in roadway											
10. Not stated		1				1					
Totals	2	7		3		2		1	1		

8. AGE OF DRIVER	All Accidents	Fatal Accidents	Injury Accidents
1. 15 & younger	31	1	7
2. 16	51	2	9
3. 17	71		21
4. 18 to 19	109	4	37
5. 20 to 24	206	1	74
6. 25 to 34	254	7	74
7. 35 to 44	228	7	67
8. 45 to 54	191	6	59
9. 55 to 64	111	1	27
10. 65 to 74	54	1	12
11. 75 & older	17	2	2
12. Not stated			
Totals	1323	32	389

9. SEX OF DRIVER	All Accidents	Fatal Accidents	Injury Accidents
1. Male	1049	23	298
2. Female	274	9	91
3. Not stated			
Totals	1323	32	389

10. RESIDENCE OF DRIVER	All Accidents	Fatal Accidents	Injury Accidents
1. Local resident	791	19	244
2. Residing elsewhere in state	360	6	90
3. Non-resident of state	172	7	55
4. Not stated			
Totals	1323	32	389

12. TYPE OF VEHICLE	All Accidents	Fatal Accidents	Injury Accidents
1. Passenger car	1010	22	293
2. Passenger car and trailer	2		
3. Truck or truck tractor	294	7	91
4. Truck tractor and semi-trailer	51	2	12
5. Other truck combination	1		
6. Farm tractor and/or farm equip.	1	1	
7. Trolley			
8. Bus	4		1
9. School bus			
10. Motorcycle	3		2
11. Motor scooter or motor bicycle			
12. Others and not stated	1	1	
Totals	1367	33	399

13. ROAD SURFACE CONDITION	All Accidents	Fatal Accidents	Injury Accidents
1. Dry	657	18	210
2. Wet	176	4	54
3. Snowy or icy	120	2	32
4. Other	56	1	12
5. Not stated	1009	25	308
Totals			

14. KIND OF LOCATION	All Accidents	Fatal Accidents	Injury Accidents
1. Built-up	68		8
2. Not built-up	941	25	300
3. Not stated			
Totals	1009	25	308

15. LIGHT CONDITION	All Accidents	Fatal Accidents	Injury Accidents
1. Daylight	491	12	144
2. Dawn or dusk	56	1	9
3. Darkness	462	12	155
4. Not stated			
Totals	1009	25	308

Contributing Circumstances (Table 11) compiled only from police reports.

11. CONTRIBUTING CIRCUMSTANCES INDICATED	All Accidents	Fatal Accidents	Injury Accidents
1. Speed too fast	264	7	110
2. Failed to yield right of way	59	3	11
3. Drove left of center	21	2	9
4. Improper overtaking	17		3
5. Passed stop sign			
6. Disregarded traffic signal	7	1	1
7. Followed too closely	11		4
8. Made improper turn	15		7
9. Other improper driving	13		8
10. Inadequate brakes	12		4
11. Improper lights	2		
12. Not been drinking	19	2	5
Totals	440	15	162

SUMMARY OF MOTOR VEHICLE TRAFFIC ACCIDENTS IN MONTANA

SUMMARY REPORT OF ACCIDENTS

Rural

PERIOD

October - - 1969

Weather	All Accidents	Fatal Accidents	Injury Accidents
1. Not stated			
2. Clear	678	18	211
3. Raining	86	3	25
4. Snowing	119	2	28
5. Fog	17		5
6. Other	109	2	39
Total	1009	25	308

Character of Road	All Accidents	Fatal Accidents	Injury Accidents
1. Not stated			
2. Straight road—level	558	11	151
3. Straight road—hillycrest	37	1	11
4. Straight road—on grade	146	4	50
5. Straight road—not stated			
6. Curve—level	146	3	53
7. Curve—hillycrest	15	1	4
8. Curve—on grade	107	5	39
9. Curve—not stated			
Total	1009	25	308

Occupation of Driver	All Accidents	Fatal Accidents	Injury Accidents
1. Professional or business man	148	6	39
2. Farmers or farm laborers	103	1	29
3. Students	253	5	72
4. Sales persons	47		8
5. Commercial drivers	94	3	21
6. Military personnel	37	1	14
7. Housewives & domestic servants	134	5	34
8. Retired & pensioners	51	3	15
9. All other workers	456	8	157
Total	1323	32	389

The following information is obtained from investigated accidents only

Driver Training	All Accidents	Fatal Accidents	Injury Accidents
1. Not stated			
2. Received classroom training in school	5		
3. Received behind the wheel training			
4. Received both classes of training	169	6	60
5. No driver training	777	26	268
Total	951	32	328

Driver Sobriety	All Accidents	Fatal Accidents	Injury Accidents
1. Not stated			
2. HBD—obviously drunk	14	1	4
3. HBD—ability impaired	31	2	15
4. HBD—ability not impaired	27		6
5. HBD—not known if impaired	99	4	56
6. Had not been drinking	703	17	216
7. Not known if drinking	77	8	31
Total	951	32	328

Road Defects	All Accidents	Fatal Accidents	Injury Accidents
1. Not stated			
2. Defective shoulders	8		2
3. Holes, deep ruts, bumps	13	1	6
4. Loose material on surface	56	3	25
5. Under construction or repair	10	1	5
6. Surface oily, slippery when wet	20		8
7. Other	1	1	
8. No defects	602	19	24
Total	710	25	257

Seat Belt Information	All Accidents	Fatal Accidents	Injury Accidents
1. Not stated	8		
2. Equipped with in use	228	3	50
3. Equipped with not in use	621	18	193
4. Not equipped with	466	11	146
Total	1323	32	389
1. Not stated	368		58
2. SB would have saved life or prevented more serious inj.	235	16	151
3. SB saved life or prevented more serious injury	95	2	29
4. SB did not or could not have helped	625	14	151
Total	1323	32	389

Additional Accident Facts	All Accidents	Fatal Accidents	Injury Accidents
1. Accidents involving a HMV	461	16	175
2. Accidents not involving a HMV	249	9	82
3. Not stated			
Total	710	25	257
1. Not stated	81	1	30
2. Exceeding stated speed limit	31	4	17
3. Exceeding safe speed limit			
4. Exceeding legal speed limit	185	1	87
5. No speed violation	683	27	203
Total	980	33	337
1. Drivers recommended for driver license re-examination	15		6
2. Hit & run accidents			



